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SUBJECT: NORWAY WELCOMES DESIGNATION OF AL-SHABAAB AS FTO

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Classified By: Charge Kevin M. Johnson for reasons 1.4 b and d

(C) Norway welcomes the designation of Al-Shabaab as an FTO as noted in reftel. Post delivered points on 17 March to Torfinn Rislaa Arntsen, Deputy Head of the International Criminal Law Section. The early March raid and arrest of Somali immigrants in Norway was related to concerns over the financing of Al-Shabaab through the Hawala system.

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